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SUBJ: SALINITY: PRESIDENT ECHEVERRIA' S STATEMENTS TO PRESS

1. JUNE 26 MEXICO CITY PRESS WIDELY REPORTS STATEMENTS ON SALINITY PROBLEM MADE BY PRESIDENT ECHEVERRIA DURING VISIT TO LA PAZ, BAJA CALIFORNIA. STORIES HEADLINED IN BOTH 'EL HERALDO' (" PROBLEM OF SALINITY IS RESOLVED") AND 'NOVEDADES' (" US WILL UNDERTAKE MAJOR WORKS TO COMPENSATE FOR SALINITY") AND CARRIED IN OTHER PAPERS. ' EL DIA' ARTICLE ENTITLED " LEA CONSIDERS THAT SALINITY PROBLEM IS RESOLVED".

2. 'EXCELSIOR' VERSION CARRIES DIRECT QUOTATION AS FOLLOWS:
" IT (SALINITY PROBLEM) IS RESOLVED, WHICH IS TO SAY THAT I BELIEVE WE CAN CONSIDER TO RESOLVED, INSOFAR AS TECHNICAL MEASURES ARE BEING INTRODUCED AND MAJOR INVESTMENTS MADE DEFINITELY TO ASSURE THAT (QUALITY WATER) WHICH WE ARE NOW RECEIVING... ACTUAL SITUATION WILL BE MAINTAINED WHILE PUBLIC WORKS ARE BROUGHT INTO OPERATION WHICH WILL TAKE SOME TIME".

3. ASKED ABOUT POSSIBLE INDEMNIFICATION, " EXCELSIOR' AGAIN QUOTED PRESIDENT AS HAVING SAID " THIS WILL BE THROUGH PUBLIC WORKS OF PARTICULAR BENEFIT TO US. THIS IS WHAT TWO SECRETARIES
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(RABASA AND ROVIROSA WADE) ARE NEGOTIATING."

4. ON QUESTION OF DAMAGES, ' NOVEDADES' INTERPRETED PRESIDENT' S
REMARKS AS CONFIRMATION THAT MAJOR PUBLIC WORKS CARRIED OUT
BY USG AT GREAT COST " WILL BE INDEMNIFICATION FROM US FOR
DAMAGES CAUSED TO FARMERS OF BAJA CALIFORNIA."
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